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AFGHANISTAN

1977

September 20	Cuban Vice Foreign Minister Pelegrin Torras arrives in Afghanistan.

ALBANIA

1975

April 14	Cuba and Albania sign scientific-cultural-educational cooperation protocol for 1975-76.

ALGERIA

1975

January 25	Raul Viera Linares heads Cuban delegation arriving in Algiers to plan for upcoming meeting of nonaligned countries.
January 30	Delegation from Algerian Public Health Ministry arrives in Cuba.
February 15	Cuba and Algeria sign cooperation agreement covering cultural and scientific matters.
February 15-18	Chemical Industry Minister Esquivil heads Cuban delegation to Group of 77 meeting in Algiers.

March 27	Algerian Education Minister Abdelkrim Benmahmoud arrives in Havana.
June 26	Cuban Public Health Minister Jose Gutierrez Muniz arrives in Algeria on official visit. He is received by President Boumediene.
December 30	Cuban Government delegation in Algiers reaffirms Cuba's support for the Saharan cause.

1976

March 12	Fidel Castro arrives in Algeria at invitation of President Boumediene and meets with representatives of Polisario Front.
June 1	Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa received in Algiers by President Boumediene.
June 3	Raul Roa addresses closing session of nonaligned coordinating bureau in Algiers.
August 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Sri Lanka for nonaligned meeting meets with Algerian Revolutionary Council President Boumediene.

1977

March 1	Fidel Castro begins trip to Middle East and Africa. He arrives in Algeria and has short meeting with President Boumediene.
May 4	Cuban Foreign Trade Minister Marcelo Fernandez Font meets with Algerian President Boumediene in Algiers.
May 24	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Algeria. He meets with Boumediene. He brings message from Castro, and gives Boumediene Castro's evaluation of situation in the area.

June 21	Pedro Miret, Politburo member, meets with Rashid Mus'tapha Tahir, member of the Executive Committee of Polisario Front and his delegation in Havana.
June 27	Fidel Castro meets with Polisario Front delegation visiting Cuba.
August 8	Raul Castro and high-level military delegation arrive in Algiers.
August 10	In Algeria, Raul Castro meets with President Boumediene.
August 11	Havana Domestic Service reports Raul Castro meeting with the chief representative of Polisario Front in Algiers.
August 12	In Algeria, Raul Castro meets with Algerian Defense Minister.
August 13	Raul Castro meets with delegation of 35 Cuban physicians who are working at the Che Guevara Hospital in Gostaganem, Algieria.
November 10	Granma publishes editorial critical of French intervention in Western Sahara.
November 13	Cuban Ambassador to Algeria Gualdo Mazola pledges Cuban support for Saharan struggle.
December 28	Raul Castro in Algiers for several days (unofficially) and meets with President Boumediene on 27 December.

ANGOLA

1975

October 8	UN Ambassador Alarcon tells the UN General Assembly, "It is Cuba's duty to give 'effective' support to MPLA in Angola."

November 11	Cuba greets Angolan independence and recognizes the MPLA as the legitimate representative of the Angolan people.
November 12	In a speech honoring the new state of Angola, Jorge Risquet promises "solidarity in any field and even to give our blood to the Angolan people."
November 24	In a speech in Detroit, US Secretary of State Kissinger refers to "thousands of Cubans sent into an African conflict."
December 17	Government of Barbados protests Cuban use of Seawell Airport as a transit point for the Cuban airlift of troops to Angola.
December 19	Trinidadian Prime Minister Eric Williams denies Cuba permission to use Piarco Airport for the Cuban airlift to Angola.
December 22	Fidel Castro gives concluding speech to First Party Congress: Cuba will give moral and military support to the MPLA.
December 23	Official sources in Georgetown say that Cuban aircraft destined for Angola have made service stops at Timehri Airport.

1976

January 16	Nicaraguan President Somoza condemns Cuban intervention in Angola.
January 24	Henrique de Carvalho, member of Central Committee of MPLA, arrives in Cuba.
January 26	In response to complaint by Zaire, Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon presents letter to UN General Assembly Secretary General justifying Cuban aid to Angola.
January 29	In a press conference Fidel Castro says Cuba is willing to increase aid to Angola.

January 31	Guyana says Cubans have not been given landing rights for airlift to Angola. French article reports installation of Cuban fuel tanks there.
February 28	In Moscow, Fidel Castro meets with Nito Alves, member of MPLA Politburo.
March 1-3	Angolan solidarity seminar held in Havana.
March 5	Cuban Government appoints Oscar Oramas Oliva Ambassador to Angola.
March 30	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon addresses the Security Council and condemns South African aggression in Angola.
April 15	Fidel Castro meets in Havana with delegations of Angolan and Congolese women.
April 20	Raul Castro arrives in Luanda, Angola, on a private visit.
April 27	Cuba and Angola sign scientific-technical cooperation agreement. Cuba will provide public health aid and train medical personnel.
May 3	Angolan sports delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 19	Cuba and Angola sign air tranportation agreement.
May 27	Trinidad and Tobago Guardian quotes President Dorticos: "Cuba will withdraw 200 soldiers a week from Angola with agreement of President Neto." Tass commentary defends Cuba's "noble action" in Angola.
June 6	In a speech for the 15th Anniversary of the Ministry of the Interior, Fidel Castro states that Cuba is gradually withdrawing military personnel from Angola.

June 24	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon condemns the US veto of Angolan application for membership in the UN.
June 25	Cuban Labor Minister Oscar Fernandez Padilla arrives in Angola.
July 5	Angolan youth delegation arrives in Cuba.
July 22	Angolan President Neto and a large delegation arrive in Cuba. (Invited for 26 July celebration.)
July 26	Fidel Castro says in 26 July speech that Cuban forces will remain in Angola until the Angolans can guarantee the security of their country.
August 1	Hong Kong AFP says a contingent of Cuban troops have returned to Cuba from service in Angola--the second substantial contingent to return.
August 2	Communique issued following visit of President Neto of Angola to Cuba.
August 18	Cooperation agreement between Angolan MPLA youth organization and UJC signed in Luanda.
September 28	Angolan public health delegation arrives in Cuba for 10-day visit.
October 2-8	Angolan Labor Minister David Ayres Machado in Cuba as guest of Cuban Labor Federation. Cooperation agreement signed on 8 October.
October 30	Welcoming ceremony held in Pinar del Rio for troops returning from duty in Angola.
	EFE Madrid reports 6,000 Cuban civilians in Angola.
December 3	People's Government Session resumes. Council of State elected, and Angolan Prime Minister Lopo do Nascimento addresses the assembly.

December 4	Armed Forces Day parade. T-62 tanks, SA-3 missiles, Saggers, ZSU-23-4 weapons, BM-21s used in Angola on display. General Colome Ibarra, who led Cubans who were in Angola, presides over parade.
December 6	Fidel Castro and Lopo do Nascimento sign economic and social cooperation agreements between Cuba and Angola.
December 16	Political Bureau member Pedro Miret ends visit to Angola for celebration of 20th Anniversary of founding of MPLA.

1977

January 3	Granma declares "the victory in Angola, due largely to the presence of Cuban soldiers," as the most outstanding event of 1976.
February 24	Delegation from Angolan Ministry of Justice arrives in Cuba.
March 16	Joint communique issued with Somalia reaffirms support for African liberation movements and hails Angolan victory.
March 23-31	Castro visits Angola. He declares "Cuba will aid Angola as long as they need it."
May 16	Fidel Castro interview with Afrique-Asie published. "Every attack against Angola is an attack against Cuba."
June 1	Al-Ahram carries article critical of Qadhafi and alleges Libyan financing of Cuban mercenaries in Angola and Ethiopia.
June 6	Fidel Castro sends "message of solidarity" to Angolan President Neto (after coup attempt in Luanda.)
June 9-11	Raul Castro in Angola. He delivers supportive message to Neto from Fidel Castro.

June 10	Cuba appoints Manuel Agramonte Sanches ambassador to Angola.
June 13	Day of Solidarity with Peoples of Angola and Mozambique observed in Cuba.
August 23	Angolan President Neto arrives in Havana with General Raul Castro. He is on a private visit.
August 27	Cuban Government announces opening of Cuban consular office in Luanda, Angola.
September 27	A delegation from the Angolan MPLA's Youth group visits the Isle of Pines.
September 29	Jose Ramon Fernandez, Cuban Education Minister, arrives in Angola.
October 4	Cuban Education Minister Jose Fernandez concludes cooperation agreement with government of Angola.
October 8	EFE carries report of Soviet trans-atlantic liner Rossiya, departing Havana for Angola with an estimated 1,000 Cuban technicians aboard.
November 1	Ramiro Valdes heads Cuban delegation arriving in Luanda, Angola, to take part in the proceedings of the Angolan-Cuban Joint Commission.
November 5	Angolan Airlines inaugurates Luanda-Havana air route.
November 7	Angolan press reports additional 2,600 Cuban civilians expected in Angola following signing by Cuba and Angola of bilateral cooperation agreements.
	In Luanda, Ramiro Valdes asserts that during the coming year Cuba's civilian cooperation effort will double; could be over 10,000 technicians.
	Ramiro Valdes and President Neto hold talks in Luanda, Angola.

November 7-9	Angolan Transportation Minister Manuel Pedro Pacavira visits Cuba, and meets with Fidel Castro on 8 November.
November 12	Cuba commemorates the second Angolan Independence Day Anniversary with a ceremony.
November 17	New York Times carries an article quoting NSC study on Cuba's African buildup and increase in numbers of troops in Angola and Ethiopia.
November 18	A contingent of more than 800 Angolan youths arrives at the Isle of Pines to attend school for a year in Cuba.
December 4	Raul Castro arrives in Luanda, Angola, to attend first MPLA Congress.
December 5	Raul Castro addresses MPLA Congress in Luanda. First Cuban public response to recent US criticisms of Cuban activities in Africa. Raul says Angola is non-negotiable issue.
December 12	Raul Castro addresses mass rally in Luanda, Angola, "when Cubans withdraw from Angola, we won't take anything but our dead."
December 14	Vilma Espin, President of Cuban Women's Federation, visits main offices of Angolan women's organization in Luanda.
December 15	Raul Castro meets with President Neto in Angola.
December 20	A Cuban economic delegation headed by Hector Rodriguez Ilompart arrives in Luanda, Angola.

ARGENTINA

1975

August 13	Cuban Ambassador to Argentina Emilio Aragones Navarro escapes unharmed from an attack in front of the Cuban Embassy in Buenos Aires.

October 29	Argentine and Cuban officials hold trade talks in Havana.
1976	
November 12-16	Argentine Foreign Trade Secretary visits Cuba.
1977	
September 29	Fidel Castro holds talks with Arnedo Alvarez, Secretary General of the Argentine Communist Party, in Havana. Carlos Rafael Rodriguez also participated.

AUSTRIA

1975	
June 14	Cuba and Austria conclude tariff agreement.

BANGLADESH

1975	
April 26	Cuba names Jose Lopez Sanches Ambassador to Bangladesh.

BARBADOS

1975	
May 8	Delegation of agricultural experts from Barbados arrives in Cuba.
December 17	Government of Barbados protests Cuban use of Seawell Airport as a transit point for the Cuban airlift of troops to Angola.
1976	
September 20	Barbados issues Cuba provisional permit for use of Seawell Airport for flights between Havana and points in Africa.

October 7	Cuban Civil Aeronautics Institute announces the crash of a Cubana airliner off Barbados with 77 aboard.
October 12	Venezuelan Government announces several Cuban exiles have been placed in custody following bombing of Cubana airliner off Barbados.

BELGIUM

1975

July 10	Cuban Vice Prime Minister Flavio Bravo arrives in Belgium for economic discussions.
October 22	Cuba and Belgium sign bilaterial air service agreement.

1976

June 19	Foreign trade ministers of Cuba and Belgium sign economic agreement in Cuba.

1977

November 10	Belgian Socialist Party delegation begins visit to Cuba.

BELIZE

1975

November 13	Cuban Deputy Foreign Minister Pelegrin Torras expresses the Cuban view that Belize has the right to self determination.

1976

February 15	Belize city reporter carries story stating that Cuba may support local Communists.

BENIN

1976

November 9	First Commander Omar Iser Mojena, Deputy Chief of Armed Forces Political Directorate, heads delegation to Benin.

1977

February 17-25	Benin Foreign Minister Michel Alladaye in Cuba. Meets with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez and Fidel Castro.
June 9	Cuban Foreign Minister Malmierca and delegation are given reception by Benin government. Meet with Foreign Affairs Ministry personnel.
June 10	In Benin, Foreign Minister Malmierca says, "There is a reciprocal desire between Benin and Cuba to expand their cooperation."
June 21	Cuba and Benin sign communique on Foreign Minister Malmierca's 6-11 June visit.

BOTSWANA

1977

December 9	Havana Domestic Service reports that Cuba and Botswana will establish diplomatic relations.

BULGARIA

1975

January 16	Bulgarian Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of PCC.
January 31-2 February	Cuban-Bulgarian intergovernmental commission meets in Havana.
February 7	Bulgarian Justice Minister arrives, heading delegation from that ministry.

February 27	Cuban Academy of Sciences delegation arrives in Sofia, Bulgaria.
	Cuba and Bulgaria sign 1975 trade protocol, substantially increasing bilateral trade.
March 5	Cuban and Bulgarian Academies of Science sign cooperation agreement.
March 22	A UJC (Union of Young Communists) delegation arrives in Sofia, Bulgaria.
March 29	Bulgarian Foreign Minister Petur Mladenov arrives in Cuba.
June 6	Cuba and Bulgaria sign scientific and technical cooperation agreement.
July 10	Cuban Machinery and Development Ministers arrive in Sofia, Bulgaria.
October 24	Bulgarian-Cuban Commission for Economic and Scientific-Technical Cooperation meets in Sofia. Flavio Bravo heads Cuban Delegation.
1976	
January 16	Bulgarian economic delegation arrives in Cuba.
March 9	Fidel Castro arrives in Sofia, Bulgaria, for official working visit.
June 18	Cuban Labor Minister Oscar Fernandez Padilla arrives in Sofia, Bulgaria.
September 30	Ramon Castro and delegation meet with Bulgarian Agriculture and Food Industry Minister Gancho Krustev in Sofia.
November 22-25	10th Bulgarian-Cuban Commission meeting in Havana.
1977	
January 11-21	Raul Castro, on way home from USSR, visits Bulgaria.

January 23	Cuba and Bulgaria sign trade protocol for 1977.
February 11-21	Bulgarian Defense Minister General Dobri Dzhurov visits Cuba at the invitation of Raul Castro.
September 19	Raul Roa, Vice President of People's Government National Assembly arrives in Sofia, Bulgaria, to attend Interparliamentary Union meeting.
October 4	Cuban Domestic Trade Minister Serafin Fernandez arrives in Bulgaria to participate in CEMA trade ministers' meeting.

BURMA

1976

October 12	Diplomatic relations established between Cuba and Burma.

BURUNDI

1976

October 8	Burundian Foreign Affairs Minister Melchior Bwakira arrives in Cuba. Cooperation agreement signed 12 October.

CAMBODIA

1975

September 10	Cambodian Foreign Minister Ieng Sary arrives in Havana for official talks.

1976

December 28	PCC delegation headed by Sergio del Valle arrives in Cambodia.

CANADA

1975

March 19	Delegation of Canadian businessmen arrives in Cuba.

March 21	Canadian newspapers report $100 million line of credit extended to National Bank of Cuba.
April 1	Canadian delegation from Public Health Ministry headed by Marc Laloude arrives in Cuba. On 4 April the two countries sign cooperation agreement.
September 24	Vice Prime Minister Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrived in Ottawa for meeting of Cuban-Canadian Commission on Inter-Governmental Trade.
October 12	Cuba and Canada sign Civil Aviation agreement.
November 21	Cuban press service Prensa Latina opens office in Montreal, Canada.
1976	
January 7	Cubana Airlines announces new routes to Canada and Guinea.
January 26	Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau begins official four-day visit to Cuba.
January 29	In a press conference Fidel Castro says he will visit Canada in response to Trudeau invitation.
February 12	Canadian commercial mission arrives in Cuba.
1977	
January 10	Canadian Government expels five Cubans suspected of intelligence activities at the Cuban consulate in Montreal.
May 11	Cuba and Canada sign fishing agreement which permits Cuban fishing within Canada's 200-mile zone.
June 23	Acting Foreign Minister Rene Anillo Capote meets with C.T. Sharland, Canadian Industry and Commerce Vice Minister, in Havana.

October 19	Raul Roa, member of the Council of State, receives new Canadian Ambassador to Cuba, Gary R. Harman.
December 9	Fidel Castro meets with Gerald Regan, Premier of Nova Scotia, who is visiting Cuba.

CAPE VERDE

1975

September 8	Cuba and the Cape Verde Islands establish diplomatic relations.

1976

July 9	Cuba and Republic of Cape Verde sign Civil Aviation agreement.
November 12	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez receives Cape Verde Defense Minister Silvino Manuel da Luz and delegation.

1977

November 15	PCC delegation headed by Antonio Perez Herrero leaves for Guinea-Bissau to attend third congress of African Party for Independence in Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde.

CHAD

1976

October 18	Cuban Government announces diplomatic relations will be established with Chad.

CHILE

1975

March 5	Representatives of the Chilean Socialist and Radical Parties arrive in Havana at invitation of PCC.
April 15	Laura Allende arrives in Havana.

May 7	Fidel Castro meets with Chilean Socialist Party delegation headed by Secretary General Carlos Altamirano.
June 27	Chilean Communist Youth delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of UJC.
August 6	Chilean Unitary Popular Action Movement (MAPU) delegation headed by Jaime Mujica arrives in Cuba.
September 4-11	Cuba observes "Week of Solidarity with the Chilean people."
October 16	The Cuban Government rejects the request of 30 Chilean leftists for asylum in Cuba.
November 12	A Cuban Government delegation arrives in Greece for a Chilean solidarity meeting.
1976	
September 13	Council of Ministers awards Playa Giron Order to Luis Corvalan, secretary-general of Chilean Communist Party.
December 19	Juventud Rebelde carries Tass report on the release of Luis Corvalan. No mention made of simultaneous release of Soviet dissident.
1977	
June 21	Fidel Castro receives Luis Corvalan, secretary-general of Chilean Communist Party.
September 29	Manuel Pineiro, chief of America Department, meets with delegation from Chilean MAPU in Havana.
October 7	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez receives delegation from Chilean MAPU.
October 13	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with members of Chilean Communist Party (PCCH) Political Committee and its representatives in Cuba.

November 19	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Clodomiro Almeyda, executive secretary of Chilean Popular Unity Abroad (MAPU) in Havana.
December 1	Fidel Castro meets with Chilean Socialist Party leader Carlos Altamirano in Havana.

CHINA (PRC)

1975

March 27	Cuban Vice Minister of Foreign Trade Germman Amado Blanco arrives in Peking.
May 8	Cuba-China Trade Protocol signed in Peking.
May 16	Cuban-Chinese Friendship Association marks 15th Anniversary of its founding in Havana and Peking.
June 9-13	Latin American and Caribbean Communist Parties meet in Havana. Communique in Granma stresses unity and attacks China.

1976

January 27	Granma publishes editorial critical of Chinese intervention in Angola.
January 30	Granma carries second attack on Chinese propaganda on Angola. Rebroadcast on two networks.
February 3	Granma carries third editorial attacking China's policies.
February 17	Granma carries fourth editorial attacking PRC.
March 13	Granma carries editorial attacking China's press coverage of events in Angola.
April 5	Granma carries attack on Chinese support of South Africa.

June 10	Cuba and China sign trade agreement for 1976. Trade scheduled to increase about 11 percent.
July 6	Granma editorial criticizes China's policy toward Angola.
September 16	Deputy Prime Minister Joel Domenech leads Cuban Government official signing condolence book at Chinese Embassy in Havana on the death of Chairman Mao. No party representatives present.

1977

April 18	The 1977 trade protocol between China and Cuba is signed in Peking.
May 6	Fidel Castro interviewed by Afrique-Asie. Big blast at China.
November 3	Granma article complains about Chinese attacks on the Cuban revolution and Cuban internationalist commitments in Africa.

COLOMBIA

1975

March 5	Cuba frees six Colombians prior to the reestablishment of diplomatic relations.
March 6	Havana and Bogota announce reestablishment of diplomatic relations in a joint communique.
March 10	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez heads Cuban delegation to ECLA meeting in Bogota.
April 30	Governments of Cuba and Colombia announce forthcoming exchange of ambassadors.
May 21	Trade between Cuba and Colombia resumes with the approval of export of cement to Cuba. Press says exchange of trade missions to occur shortly.

June 8	Cuban trade delegation arrives in Bogota. First Cuban commercial mission to visit Colombia since renewal of relations.
October 18	Cuban trade delegation arrives in Cali, Colombia.

1976

February 7	Colombian Foreign Trade Institute delegation arrives in Cuba.
November 20	Jose Ignacio Vives Echeverria, Colombian Ambassador to Cuba, discloses that Fidel Castro will be invited to visit Colombia in 1977.

1977

May 21	Manuel Pineiro, member of Central Committee and head of America Department, meets with delegation from Colombian Communist Party visiting Cuba.
October 18	New Colombian Ambassador to Cuba, Mrs. Clara Neito de Ponce de Leon, received in Havana by Cuban Council of State Vice President.

CONGO

1975

February 14	A military delegation from the Congolese People's Republic headed by Lt. Ngoma Foutou arrives in Cuba.
September 23	Congolese President Marien Ngouabi arrives in Cuba on state visit. Joint communique issued 19 September.

1976

April 15	Fidel Castro meets in Havana with delegations of Angolan and Congolese women.
June 3-4	Raul Castro and delegation visit the Congo.

June 10	Congolese Education Minister tours Cuba with delegation.
July 14	Delegation of Congolese Labor Party Department of Mass Organizations arrives in Cuba.
September 8-16	Congolese Union of Young Socialists delegation, headed by its First Secretary visits Cuba.

1977

March 20-22	Cuban Council of State declares official mourning period for President Ngouabi of the Congo who was assassinated on March 18.
May 15	Congolese Workers Party delegation arrives in Cuba.
September 2-16	Congolese military delegation visits Cuba. Met by high-level party/military Cuban contingent.
September 14	Commander of Revolution Juan Almeida meets with representatives of Congolese military delegation which is visiting Cuba.
November 30	Joint communique issued following visit to Congo by Antonio Perez Hererro, PCC member.

COSTA RICA

1975

January 6	Costa Rican Legislative Assembly representatives delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 26-28	Cuban delegation arrives in Costa Rica to attend talks on proposed Caribbean shipping enterprise.
August 2	Gonzalo Facio, Costa Rican Foreign Minister, announces in San Jose that Costa Rica "will soon establish trade relations with Cuba."

September 22	Cuban economic mission arrives in San Jose, Costa Rica, to begin preliminary talks on reestablishment of commercial relations between the two countries.
November 7	A Costa Rican commercial delegation arrives in Cuba.

1976

February 25	Cuba and Costa Rica establish commercial relations.
March 2	Granma editorial criticizes Kissinger trip to Latin America and remarks of President Somoza and Foreign Minister Facio concerning Cuban aid to Angola.
August 18	Members of legislative assembly of Costa Rica arrive in Cuba.
October 7	Cuba and Costa Rica sign commercial agreement in San Jose.

1977

February 21	Cuba and Costa Rica reestablish consular relations.
April 14	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Manuel Mora, secretary-general of the Costa Rican Popular Vanguard Party in Havana.
December 23	Manuel Pineiro meets with Costa Rican Socialist Party Secretariat member Roberto Salon in Havana.

CYPRUS

1976

November 12	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon gives speech to UN General Assembly in support of Cyprus' independence.
December 20-27	Delegation of Restorative Party of Working People of Cyprus arrives in Havana. Group meets with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez on 21 December and with Fidel on 27 December.

1977

August 4	Council of State declares 4-6 August period of mourning for Archbishop Mikarios.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1975

January 30	Delegation from Czechoslovak Socialist Union of Youth arrives in Cuba at invitation of UJC.
February 26	Czechoslovak press agency and Prensa Latina sign cooperation protocol.
March 21	Czechoslovakia and Cuba sign protocol on food exchange in Prague.
April 1	Cuban National Bank President Raul Leon Torras arrives in Prague for economic talks.
May 31	Cuba and Czechoslovakia sign scientific-technical cooperation agreement in Prague.
June 16	Czechoslovak Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba for 10-day visit at invitation of PCC.
July 14	PCC delegation, headed by Central Committee's Internal Education Department Head Francisco Antonio Diaz, arrives in Prague.
August 8	Cuba and Czechoslovakia sign energy cooperation protocol.
September 20	Delegation from Czechoslovak National Assembly arrives in Cuba.
November 8	Czechoslovak Technical and Construction Ministry delegation arrives in Havana.

1976

February 24	Czechoslovak Trade Minister arrives in Cuba.

April 14	Juan Almeida Bosque, PCC Politburo member, addresses 15th Czechoslovak Communist Party Congress.
June 18	Cuban Communist Party delegation arrives in Czechoslovakia at invitation of Czechoslovak Communist Party.
July 2	Deputy Prime Minister Joel Domenech arrives in Prague as head of Cuban delegation to the third session of the Cuban-Czechoslovak Cooperation Committee.
September 27	Cuban Foreign Trade Minister Marcelo Fernandez Font signs trade agreement with Czechoslovakia in Prague.
October 23	Ramon Castro and delegation arrive in Prague.

1977

June 2	Pedro Luis Torres, Cuban Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, meets with Deputy Premier Vaclav Huia for economic talks in Prague. Bilateral trade to increase.
November 1	Czechoslovak Foreign Trade Minister arrives in Havana.
December 7	Cuban-Czechoslovak intergovernmental commission opens in Havana.

DENMARK

1976

December 31	Fidel Castro meets with Knud Jespersen, Chairman of Danish Communist Party.

1977

October 28-30	Danish Foreign Minister Knud Boerge Andersen leads delegation to Havana. Signs economic cooperation agreement.
October 30	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets separately with Polish, Danish, Zambian foreign ministers who are visiting Cuba.

October 31	Fidel Castro meets with Danish Foreign Minister Knud Boerge Andersen.

DOMINICAN REP.

1975

April 2	Cuban Tourism Minister Vivian Coll attends first conference of Caribbean tourism directors in Santo Domingo.
April 21-24	Latin American sugar producers meet in Dominican Republic. Cuban delegation headed by Foreign Trade Vice Minister Ricardo Cabrizas Ruiz.
August 16	Dominican Center for the Promotion of Exports (CEDOPEX) issues report foreseeing the reestablishment of trade with Cuba.
October 20	Cuban Friendship Delegation headed by Osvaldo Cardenas, Chief of Caribbean Section of PCC Central Committee America Department arrives in Dominican Republic.

1976

January 21	Professors from Dominican Republic arrive in Cuba to meet with officials from Havana University.

1977

March 21	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca addresses opening session of Caribbean development meeting in Santo Domingo.

ECUADOR

1975

February 12	Cuban labor delegation arrives in Ecuador to participate in 20th congress of Ecuadorean workers organization.

September 23	Group of Ecuadorean newsmen arrive in Havana at the invitation of the Cuban journalists union.
1977	
April 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Pedro Saad, Secretary General of Ecuadorean Communist Party, in Havana.

EGYPT

1976	
December 27	Havana announces trade agreement with Egypt.
1977	
November 24	Havdomser carries commentary critical of Egyptian President Sadat's visit to Israel.

EL SALVADOR

1975	
April 11	Delegation of Salvadoran deputies and journalists arrives in Cuba at invitation of ICAP.

ETHIOPIA

1975	
July 18	Cuba and Ethiopia establish diplomatic relations.
1977	
February 20-27	PCC delegation headed by Arnoldo Ochoa arrives in Addis Ababa.
February 27	Message of solidarity from Fidel Castro sent to Ethiopian leader Mengistu.

March 11	Communique issued following Fidel Castro's trip to Libya; supports Palestinians, nonaligned movement, Ethiopia, and liberation movements in Latin America and Africa.
March 14-16	Castro visits Ethiopia. Meets with Mengistu. Joint communique issued 19 March. Supports nonaligned movement, liberation movements in South Africa.
May 16	Fidel Castro interview with Afrique-Asie "consolidation of Ethiopian revolution important for Africa."
May 18	Representatives of Ethiopian and Cuban Public Health Ministries open bilateral cooperation talks in Addis Ababa.
May 24	Cuba and Ethiopia sign public health cooperation agreement.
June 1	Al-Ahram carries article critical of Qadhafi and alleges Libyan financing of Cuban mercenaries in Angola and Ethiopia.
June 2	Havana international service reports Ethiopia's denial of the presence of Cuban military personnel.
June 6	Ethiopian Ministry of Education announces grant of five scholarships by Cuban Government to Ethiopian youths.
September 9	Raul Valdes Vivo and delegation leave for Ethiopia to participate in ceremonies marking 3rd anniversary of the revolution.
September 18-24	Cuban Health Minister Dr. Gutierrez Muniz visits Ethiopia and signs health cooperation agreement.
October 15-20	Ethiopian Foreign Minister Feleke Gedle-Giorgis visits Cuba.

October 20	Raul Castro and Isidoro Malmierca meet with Ethiopian Foreign Minister Col. Feleke Gedle Giorgis at the end of his visit to Cuba.
October 27	Communique issued on Ethiopian foreign minister's visit.
November 1	Cuban-Ethiopian press associations sign agreements of cooperation.
November 11	Danish paper publishes undated interview with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez. Denies Cuban troops fighting in Ethiopia.
November 17	New York Times carries article quoting NSC study on Cuba's African buildup and increase in numbers of troops in Angola and Ethiopia.
November 22	Aymro Wondmagenuhu, first Ethiopian Ambassador to Cuba, presents credentials to Foreign Minister Malmierca.
December 10	Fidel Castro interviewed by French TV. "Ethiopia: most elemental duty is to help consolidate Ethiopian revolution."
December 27	Cuban Ambassador to Ethiopia Jose Perez Novoa reaffirms Cuba's support for Ethiopia.

FINLAND

1975

March 11	Finnish Foreign Trade Minister Jermu Laine arrives in Cuba. Agreement signed 14 March.

1976

April 19	Finnish Parliamentary delegation arrives in Cuba.
September 23-26	Vilma Espin heads Cuba delegation to disarmament conference in Helsinki, Finland.

1977

June 2	Cuba-Finnish mixed commission talks open in Havana.
November 16	Finnish Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of PCC.

FRANCE

1975

January 15	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Paris on official visit. First time leader of Castro regime has been invited to France.
January 16	Cuba and France sign major trade agreement.
January 21	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, in Paris, invites French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac to visit Cuba.
March 8	Le Monde Director Jacques Fauvet meets with Fidel Castro in Havana.
May 12-15	French Foreign Minister Norbert Segard arrives in Cuba. First visit by a French cabinet minister. Joint communique released 17 May.
June 23	Cuba and France sign cultural, scientific cooperation pacts.
July 10	France expells three Cuban diplomats for alleged connection with terrorist ring. Cuban Foreign Ministry issues protest and denial on 22 July.

1976

January 14	French Public Health Minister Dr. Simone Veil arrives in Cuba.
February 3	PCC delegation headed by Armando Hart arrives in Paris to attend French Communist Party congress.

June 9	Cuban-French mixed commission opens in Havana.

1977

November 10	Granma publishes editorial critical of French intervention in Western Sahara.
December 1	Michael Poniatowski, special representative of French President, arrives in Cuba. Meets with Fidel and Carlos Rafael Rodriguez. Discuss Spanish Sahara and African situations.

GERMANY, EAST

1975

February 10	East German secretary of state for technical and professional education arrives in Cuba.
February 19	East Germany and Cuba sign technical-educational-cooperation accord in Havana.
April 3	Cuba and East Germany sign cultural-scientific cooperation agreement.
May 31	Cuban military delegation arrives in East Germany.
October 18	Celia Sanchez heads Cuban delegation to Women's World Congress in East Berlin. Vilma Espin will act as Chief Cuban representative.

1976

January 10	Gerhard Schuerer, head of East German Planning Commission, arrives in Cuba for economic talks.
May 13	Blas Roca, Politburo member, heads delegation to East German Communist Party Congress.

June 12	East German Foreign Trade Minister Horst Soelle arrives in Cuba. Trade agreement signed 17 June.
July 5	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez leads Cuba delegation to CEMA session in East Germany.
July 8	Cuba and East Germany sign health cooperation plan.
September 15	East German Defense Minister General Heinz Hoffman stops in Cuba en route to Mexico.
September 21-23	East German Minister of Defense General Heinz Hoffman visits Cuba at invitation of Raul Castro.
September 22-26	East German Foreign Minister Iskar Fisher visits Cuba. Meets with Raul Roa, Carlos Rafael Rodriguez.
	Ramon Castro and Agricultural Delegation arrive in East Germany for five-day visit.
September 27	PCC Central Committee member Roberto Viega arrives in East Germany.
September 30	First Commander William Galvez Rodriguez heads Cuban military delegation to East Germany.
October 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in East Germany for 8th meeting of Cuba-East German mixed commission.
October 30	Five-year scientific cooperation agreement signed with East Germany.

1977

February 24	Fidel Castro meets with East German Defense Minister Army General Heinz Hoffman.
April 2-4	Fidel Castro visits East Germany. Meets with Party Chief Honecker.

July 24	Cuba and East Germany sign economic and scientific cooperation agreement.
August 8	Raul Castro meets with Chairman Erich Honecker in East Berlin.

GERMANY, WEST

1975

January 7	Cuban-West German negotiations regarding establishment of diplomatic relations begins in Paris.
January 18	Joint communique between Cuba and West Germany announces resumption of diplomatic relations.
March 11	Cuban and West German Communist Parties hold official talks in Havana.

GHANA

1977

October 24	Ghanaian Foreign Affairs Minister Lt Col Roger Feili arrives in Cuba at invitation of Ministry of Foreign Relations.
October 25	Talks between Foreign Ministers Malmierca of Cuba and Feili of Ghana begin in Havana.
October 28	Ghanian Foreign Minister holds talks with Fidel Castro and then departs Cuba.

GREECE

1975

May 7	PCC Politburo member Guillermo Garcia Frrias receives Costa Loules, official of Greek Communist Party, in Havana.

GUADELOUPE

1976

December 29	Delegation from Communist Party of Guadeloupe headed by Guy Daninthe arrives in Cuba.

1977

September 2	Armando Acosta receives delegation from Guadaloupe Communist Party in Havana.

GUATEMALA

1976

August 4	Guatemalan Labor Party delegation received by Isidoro Malmierca, member of PCC secretariat.

1977

October 14-20	Week of Solidarity with Guatemala observed in Cuba.

GUINEA

1976

January 7	Cubana Airlines announces new routes to Canada and Guinea.
March 4	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with delegation from the Politburo of the Guinean Democratic Party Central Committee.
March 14-16	Fidel Castro arrives Conakry, Guinea, for summit. Castro speech hints of formation of multinational army to eliminate apartheid from Africa.
June 5-7	Raul Castro and delegation visit Guinea.
November 18-20	Guinean Trade Union Delegation visits Cuba.

1977

May 28	Cuban Communist Party delegation, headed by Central Committee member Facundo Martinez Vailiant received by Guinean President Sekou Toure.
June 13-16	Cuban Foreign Minister Malmierca visits Guinea. Meets with President Sekou Toure.
June 21	Cuba and Guinea sign communique at end of Foreign Minister Malmierca's visit.
December 28	Havana domestic service says Raul Castro ends visits to Algeria and Guinea.

GUINEA-BISSAU

1975

June 17	Educators from Guinea-Bissau arrive in Cuba to study educational system.

1976

September 23	First Commander Calixto Garcia and Cuban delegation arrive Guinea-Bissau to attend 20th anniversary activities of founding of PAIGC.
October 14	Luis Cabral, President of Guinea-Bissau, arrives in Cuba and receives National Order of Jose Marti.
October 22	Luis Cabral leaves Cuba after signing of Cuban - Guinea-Bissau cooperation agreements.
October 30	In interview Luis Cabral, President of Guinea-Bissau, says Cubans will send doctors, agriculture experts, and professors to assist his country.
November 23	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Vasco Cabral, Guinea-Bissau Economic Development and Planning Minister.

1977

January 25	Col. Pedro Rodriguez Peralta decorated by Luis Cabral, President of Guinea-Bissau.
November 15	PCC delegation headed by Antonio Perez Herrero leaves for Guinea-Bissau to attend third Congress of African Party for Independence in Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde.

GUYANA

1975

April 7-11	Prime Minister Forbes Burnham of Guyana pays official visit to Cuba.
April 9	Cuban agrarian reform delegation arrives in Guyana.
May 8	Trade mission from Guyana arrives in Cuba.
June 16	Team of sugar advisers arrives in Georgetown, Guyana, to consult with local sugar technicians.
September 15	Guyanese Minister of Education and Culture Shirley Field-Ridley arrives in Cuba.
October 29	Cuba's first resident ambassador in Guyana, Ivan Cesar Martinez, presents his credentials. Cuban Embassy in Georgetown officially opens.
November 13	Delegation from People's National Congress Party of Guyana arrives in Havana.
December 23	Official sources in Georgetown say that Cuban aircraft destined for Angola have made service stops at Timehri Airport.

December 28	Cuban Ambassador to Guyana, Ivan Cesar Martinez, states that Cuba will give priority to trade with Caribbean and Latin American countries over the next few years.

1976

January 31	Guyana says Cubans have not been given landing rights for airlift to Angola. French article reports installation of Cuban fuel tanks there.
February 22	Guyanese official denies presence of Cuban or Soviet troops in his country.
May 1	Havana domestic service carries commentary critical of US destabilization campaign against Guyana and Jamaica.
May 26	Manuel Pineiro, head of PCC America Department and Osvaldo Cardenas, chief of Caribbean section, attend Guyana's 10th Anniversary of Independence.
August 10	PCC delegation headed by Jose Ortiz attends 19th Congress of the Peoples Progressive Party in Guyana.
October 6	Granma accuses the CIA of "attempting to destabilize" the Jamaican and Guyanese Governments.
October 21	Raul Roa heads Cuban delegation to Trinidad to consult with Caribbean leaders on investigation of Cubana bombing. Representatives from Cuba, Barbados, Guyana, and Venezuela attend.
	Delegation from Guyana Peoples National Congress arrives in Cuba at the invitation of PCC Central Committee.
November 2-9	Cuba-Guyana Mixed Commission meets in Georgetown.
December 23	High-level CDR delegation led by Maria Teresa Malmierca, arrives in Georgetown, Guyana.

December 24	Guyanese Minister of State Kenneth Bancroft heads delegation visiting Cuba.

1977

January 26	Guyanese Foreign Minister Wills arrives in Cuba.
February 17	Cheddi Jagan, Secretary General of the Guyanese Peoples Progressive Party arrives in Cuba.
February 17-25	Vice President of the Cuban Council of State, Juan Almeida Bosque, visits Guyana for independence anniversary celebration.
February 19	Cheddi Jagan meets with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez and Manuel Pineiro Losada.
March 9-16	A Cuban education delegation visits Guyana.
June 2	Team of Cuban sugar experts conclude 10-day visit to Guyana.
June 26	Raul Valdes Vivo arrives in Guyana.
June 27	In Guyana, Raul Valdes Vivo meets with Cheddi and Janet Jagan, leaders of the opposition Peoples Progressive Party.
	Raul Valdes Vivo, chief of Foreign Relations Department of the party, meets with Guyanese Foreign Minister Frederick Wills in Georgetown.
August 10	Cuban Communist Party delegation departs for Guyana for second Congress of Guyanese Peoples National Congress.
November 30	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Guyanese Education Minister in Havana.
December 9	Guyanese Peoples Progressive Party delegation leaves Cuba after visit.
December 16	Third session of Cuba-Guyana Mixed Commission opens in Havana.

December 20	Manuel Pineiro, head of PCC Central Committee America Department meets with Robert Corbin, member of Guyana's PNC executive committee.
December 23	Cuba and Guyana sign scientific-technical cooperation agreement for 1978.
December 25	Guyanese authorities in Georgetown hail work being done by Cuban doctors on the Brazilian border.

HAITI

1977

August 21	Cuba and Haiti open discussions of demarcation of maritime boundaries between the two countries in Port au Prince.
October 25	Haitian UN Ambassador Serge Elie Charles arrives in Cuba to sign accord delimiting maritime boundaries between the two countries.

HONDURAS

1975

June 26	Delegation from University of Honduras and a student group from School of Economics arrives in Cuba.
October 1	EFE carries item stating that Cuba and Honduras will shortly begin discussions aimed at resuming commercial and diplomatic relations.

1976

February 10	Cuban trade mission visits Honduras.

HUNGARY

1975

January 10	PCC delegation headed by Isidoro Malmierca arrives in Budapest, Hungary.

January 30	Cuban and Hungarian academies of science sign cooperation agreement.
February 6	Cuban UJC delegation arrives in Budapest.
March 17-24	Pedro Miret heads Cuban delegation to 11th Hungarian Socialist Workers Party Congress in Budapest.
April 12	Hungarian internal trade minister arrives in Cuba. Trade agreement signed 16 April.
April 21	Hungarian Communist Youth delegation arrives in Cuba.
April 27	Cuban Justice Minister Armando Torres Santrayil arrives in Budapest on official visit.
May 14	CDR delegation arrives in Budapest, Hungary.
May 21	Cuban military delegation arrives in Budapest.
June 27	Hungarian Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba.
	Cuba and Hungary sign agreement on nickel plant construction in Cuba.
September 23	Talks begin in Budapest on Cuban-Hungarian economic and technical cooperation.
<u>1976</u>	
September 14	Hungarian Foreign Minister Frigyes Puja arrives in Havana for one-week visit.
September 21	Trade agreement between Cuba and Hungary signed in Budapest.
October 17	Hungarian President Pal Losonczi arrives in Cuba.

November 27	Cuban-Hungarian technical cooperation agreement signed in Budapest.

1977

August 22	Vice President of Council of Ministers Osvaldo Dorticos departs Cuba for Hungary at invitation of Hungarian Socialist Workers Party.
November 10-17	Raul Castro and military delegation visit Hungary at invitation of Defense Minister Colonel General Czinege.
December 8	Hungarian Deputy Foreign Minister Vencel Hazi arrives in Havana.

INDIA

1977

April 4	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca arrives in New Delhi as head of Cuban delegation to nonaligned countries coordinating bureau meeting beginning 7 April.
September 17	Cuban Vice Foreign Minister Pelegrin Torras arrives in New Delhi.

INDONESIA

1976

March 6	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with delegation from Indonesian Communist Party.
April 27	Delegation from Democratic Republic of Eastern Timor headed by Economic Minister arrives in Cuba.

IRAN

1975

February 10	Cuba and Iran establish diplomatic relations.

1976

March 5	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with Iraj Eskandari, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Iranian People's (Communist) Party.
April 7	Iran breaks diplomatic relations with Cuba because of the meeting between Fidel Castro and representatives of Iranian Communist Party, in Moscow.

IRAQ

1975

March 27	CDR delegation headed by Maria Teresa Malmierca arrives in Baghdad, Iraq.

1976

April 28	Iraq Foreign Minister Sa'dun Hammadi arrives in Cuba for five-day visit.
May 13	Iraqi military delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of CDR.
December 20	Amir Abdallah, Iraqi minister of State, arrives in Havana.

1977

September 22	Raul Valdes Vivo ends visit to Iraq.
December 14-21	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez visits Iraq. He says Fidel will visit Iraq during first quarter of 1978.
December 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Saddam Husayn, Vice-Chairman of Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council. Delivers personal message from Fidel Castro.
December 17	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Iraq's Ministers of Planning and Trade in Baghdad.

December 19	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Iraqi President Ahmad Hasan al-bakr. Rodriguez delivers message from Castro.

ISRAEL

1976

July 15	Havana Domestic Service carries commentary critical of Israeli raid into Uganda.

1977

November 24	Havdomser carries commentary critical of Egyptian President Sadat's visit to Israel.

ITALY

1975

January 3	President Dorticos meets with Italian socialist leader Cesare Bensi, member of Italian Parliament in Havana.
June 18	Cuba and Italy ratify scientific-technical cooperation agreement.
September 20	Cuba and Italy conclude first meeting of Italian-Cuban Commission for Culture, Scientific, and Technical Cooperation.

1976

February 17	Italian industrial delegation arrives in Cuba.
July 8	Cuba and Italy sign scientific cooperation agreement.

1977

December 22	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez leaves Rome after private 24-hour visit to Italy.

JAMAICA

1975

January 17	Eric Bell, Jamaican Transport Minister, arrives in Cuba.
February 24	Cuban Mines Minister Cespedes arrives in Jamaica to attend OLADE meeting.
March 19	Cuban housing and agriculture delegation arrives in Kingston, Jamaica.
March 28	Cuba and Jamaica sign construction cooperation agreement in Kingston.
April 15	Cuban agricultural delegation arrives in Jamaica. Jose Solona Pinera, Vice President of INRA, heads group.
May 9	Jamaican construction Brigade arrives in Cuba for a one-year tour.
	Members of Jamaican Parliament and a representative from Prime Minister Manley's office arrive in Cuba.
June 12	Cuban sugar industry officials arrive in Kingston, Jamaica, for talks with Jamaican sugar officials.
July 9	Prime Minister Michael Manley of Jamaica arrives on official visit to Cuba. Joint communique issued 14 July.
July 13	Cuba and Jamaica establish joint economic commission.
July 24	Cuban Foreign Trade Minister arrives in Kingston, Jamaica.
July 28	PCC delegation headed by Isidoro Malmierca concludes visit to Jamaica at invitation of People's National Party of Jamaica.
August 26	Cuban agricultural and engineering experts arrive in Jamaica.

October 23	Manuel Piniero, PCC Central Committee member and chief of the American Department, arrives in Jamaica as head of Cuban delegation attending annual PNP congress.
November 11	Cuba-Jamaica intergovernmental commission begins work session in Kingston. Agreement is signed on 18 November.
November 20	Jamaican Public Health Minister Kenneth McNeill arrives in Cuba.

1976

January 2	Cuban construction team of 280 arrives in Jamaica.
January 22	Jamaican education delegation arrives in Cuba.
April 3	Jamaican Minister P.J. Patterson arrives in Havana to talk about expansion of trade between Jamaica and Cuba.
May 1	Havana domestic service carries commentary critical of US campaign against Guyana and Jamaica.
June 12	Jamaican People's National Party delegation headed by Secretary-General Donald Duncan arrives in Havana.
June 18-22	Jamaican Minister of Foreign Affairs Dudley Thompson visits Cuba.
July 9	Havana Domestic Service carries commentary praising Jamaican resistance to Destabilization campaign being waged against it (by the US).
	An unsuccessful attempt is made to bomb a Cubana airliner in Kingston, Jamaica.
August 7	Granma carries article scoring "CIA destabilization" campaign in Jamaica.

August 12-18	Politburo member Armando Hart heads Cuban delegation to Jamaica, visiting several construction sites where Cubans are working in Jamaica.
September 16	Ninety Jamaican construction trainees leave Kingston for one-year course in Cuba.
September 16-22	Jesus Montane Oropesa heads Cuban delegation to People's National Party conference in Kingston, Jamaica.
September 18	Cuban delegation visiting Jamaica for the PNP congress meets with Prime Minister Manley.
September 22	Jamaican Foreign Minister Dudley Thompson arrives in Havana.
October 6	Granma accuses the CIA of "attempting to destabilize" the Jamaican and Guyanese Governments.
December 18	Fidel Castro sends Prime Minister Manley a congratulatory telegram on his re-election. Havana radio says "US failed to oust Manley in Jamaica."

1977

January 7-10	Jamaican Foreign Minister P.J. Patterson and National Mobilization Minister D.K. Duncan visit Cuba. Meet with Fidel Castro and Carlos Rafael Rodriguez.
April 11	A delegation from the Committees for the Defense of the Revolution (CDR) arrives in Jamaica.
April 13	Jamaican Youth and Sports Minister Hugh Small arrives in Cuba.
April 28	Carmen MacGregor, Jamaican Minister of State for Women's Affairs, arrives in Havana.

May 4	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Prime Minister Manley in Kingston. He briefs Manley on Castro's trip to Africa.
May 21-28	Cuba-Jamaica intergovernmental commission meets in Havana. Program for the coming year is signed.
May 26	Council of Ministers Vice President Belarmino Castilla Mas meets with Jamaican Minister Dudley Thompson in Havana.
June 10-18	Jamaican culture delegation in Cuba headed by Arnold Bertram.
June 19	Jamaican Prime Minister Manley visits Cuba. Talks with Fidel Castro on way home from commonwealth conference.
August 3	Foreign Minister Malmierca speaks in Havana at ceremony marking Jamaica's independence.
August 18	Cuban Foreign Minister Malmierca arrives in Jamaica for two-day visit. Consults on nonaligned matters, fishing cooperation, and sugar pricing.
September 16	Jamaican Health Minister Douglas Manley visits Cuban Public Health Ministry.
October 4	Havdomser announces a new group of internationalist Cuban doctors will soon go to Jamaica.
October 16-21	Fidel Castro makes official visit to Jamaica.
November 22	Juan Almeida meets with his counterpart Arnold Bertram, Jamaican Minister of Culture in Santiago de Cuba. Bertram in Cuba for 60th Anniversary celebration.
December 10-13	Mrs. Beverley Manley visits Cuba.

December 10	Fidel Castro attends reception given for Mrs. Beverley Manley, president of People's National Party Women's movement in Havana.
December 12	Cuba-Jamaica Friendship Ceremony held in Santiago de Cuba. Mrs. Beverley Manley and Dora Caracano, Secretary-General of FMC speak at ceremony.
December 14	Manuel Pineiro, head of PCC America department, recieves Roy McGann, Deputy Minister of Jamaican Defense Forces in Havana.
December 15	Jamaican Prime Minister Manley states that Cuban Government will give technical assistance to Jamaica in the restructuring of the Home Guard.
December 23	In Jamaica, Prime Minister Manley announces that an additional team of Cuban doctors will arrive shortly in Jamaica.

JAPAN

1975

February 6	Cuban National Bank President Raul Leon Torras meets with Japanese Finance Minister in Tokyo to discuss the Cuban Five-Year Plan.
March 19	Cuban-Japanese Sugar talks begin in Tokyo.
May 9	High-level Japanese Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of PCC. Joint communique issued 19 May.
August 26	Japanese foreign trade delegation arrives in Cuba.

1976

January 18	Japanese industrialist delegation arrives in Cuba for eight-day visit.

February 18	Cuba-Japan economic conference begins in Havana.
May 17-26	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Japan for economic talks.
June 26	Cuban PCC delegation led by Jose Machado Ventura meets in Tokyo with head of Japanese Communist Party.

1977

March 15	Large Japanese economic delegation arrives in Havana.
November 1	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez hosts reception for delegation of Japanese attending Japan-Cuba economic conference in Havana.
November 3	Fidel Castro meets with visiting Japanese business delegation.
December 6	Cuban Ambassador to Japan and Malaysia Mario Garcia Inchaustegui and his wife die in plane crash near Kuala Lumpur.

KOREA, NORTH

1975

January 3	Cuban-North Korean trade protocol signed in Cuba.
February 6	Delegation from Korean Workers Party arrives in Havana.
March 14	Kim Il-song receives Cuban Ambassador to North Korea Angel Ferras.
May 6	Cuban-North Korean economic-scientific-technical cooperation talks begin in Havana.
June 17	PCC delegation returns to Havana after a visit to North Korea.

October 12	Kim Il-song receives Cuban PCC delegation headed by Guillermo Garcia Frias to the 30th Anniversary of the Founding of Korean Workers Party.

1976

March 13	Cuba and North Korea sign five-year trade protocol.
June 25	Cuban Committee for Support of Korean Reunification announces beginning of solidarity drive in Cuba.
August 21	Havana Domestic Service carries commentary on US "provocations" in Korea.
August 23	Ramon Castro and delegation arrive in Pyongyong, North Korea.

KOREA, SOUTH

1976

June 25	Cuban Committee for Support of Korean Reunification announces beginning of solidarity drive in Cuba.
August 21	Havana Domestic Service carries commentary on US "provocations" in Korea.

KUWAIT

1975

August 6	National Bank of Cuba Director Raul Leon Torras arrives in Kuwait for meetings with Finance and Foreign Affairs Ministers.

LAOS

1975

January 23	Delegation from Lao Patriotic Front meets with Raul Garcia Pelaez, member of the PCC Secretariat.

April 3	Cuba announces appointment of Roberto Valdes Munoz as Ambassador to Laos.
June 18	Delegation of Cuban journalists arrives in Vientiane, Laos, for visit and meeting with leaders of the Lao Patriotic Front.

1976

August 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Sri Lanka for nonaligned meeting, meets Laotian President Prince Souphanouvong.
September 8-15	Laotian Prime Minister Keysone Phomvihan visits Cuba. Several agreements are signed.
December 21-25	Sergio del Valle heads PCC delegation in Laos. Communique issued 27 December. Lao-Cuban economic accord signed.

LEBANON

1975

February 5	New Cuban Ambassador to Lebanon, Miguel Brugueras, presents his credentials.

LIBYA

1976

March 1	Diplomatic relations established with Libya.
August 31	Raul Valdes Vivo, Chief of Party's General Foreign Relations Department, arrives in Tripoli to attend Independence Aniversary celebration.

1977

January 7	Fidel Castro receives Libyan Ambassador to France Kamel Maghur, who arrives in Cuba bearing a message from Col. Qadhafi.

February 28	Paris AFP carries report from Havana that Castro will begin visit to Libya on 1 March.
March 1-10	Fidel Castro visits Libya.
March 2	A Libyan Arab Socialist Union delegation arrives in Cuba at the invitation of the PCC.
March 4	Fidel Castro makes speech to the General People's Congress in Shaba, Libya.
March 10	Fidel Castro's visit concludes with signing of two agreements which call for trade and economic, technical, scientific, and cultural cooperation.
March 11	Communique issued following Fidel Castro's trip to Libya supports Palestinians, nonaligned movement, Ethiopia, and liberation movements in Latin America and Africa.
May 20	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Tripoli, Libya.
May 27	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca receives new Libyan Ambassador, Mr. Ali Sunni al-Muntasir.
June 1	Al-Ahram carries article critical of Qadhafi and alleges Libyan financing of Cuban mercenaries in Angola and Ethiopia.
August 30	Cuban Foreign Minister Malmierca arrives in Tripoli, Libya, to attend anniversary celebration.
	Foreign Minister Malmierca meets with Libyan Foreign Minister in Tripoli to discuss preparation for upcoming nonaligned meeting and upcoming nonaligned summit.

September 20	Foreign Minister Malmierca attends reception at Libyan Embassy marking eighth Anniversary of Libyan Revolution.

LUXEMBOURG

1977

May 20	Dominic Urbang, Chairman of Luxembourg Communist Party, arrives in Cuba with delegation. Meets with Fidel Castro during visit.

MADAGASCAR

1976

February 28	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with Gisele Rabeshala, Secretary-General of the Congress Party for Malagasy Independence.
October 16	Madagascar Foreign Minister Bruno Rakotomavo arrives in Cuba. Meets with Raul Roa 20 October.

1977

February 13-17	Cuban Communist Party delegation headed by Armando Acosta arrives in Madagascar.
February 17	Armando Acosta meets with Madagascar President Ratsiraka.
September 26	Madagascar Health Minister Dr. Jean Seraphin arrives in Cuba at invitation of Cuban Public Health Ministry.
	Raul Valdes Vivo arrives in Madagascar with a message from Fidel Castro for Malagasy President Ratsiraka.

MALAYSIA

1975

February 17	Cuba and Malaysia establish diplomatic relations.

1977

December 6	Cuban Ambassador to Japan and Malaysia Mario Garcia Inchaustegui and his wife die in plane crash near Kuala Lumpur.

MALDIVES

1977

January 29	Diplomatic relations established with the Republic of the Maldives.

MALI

1975

January 28	Malian trade delegation arrives in Cuba.

1977

December 9	Malian Foreign Minister Col. Charles Samba Sissoko arrives in Havana.
December 12	Fidel Castro meets with Charles Samba Sissoko, Malian Foreign Minister. He invites Castro to visit Mali. Castro accepts, will visit early in 1978.
	Cuban and Malian Foreign Ministers sign co-op agreement for 1978 and 1979 between the two ministries.

MAURITANIA

1977

November 18	Cuba demands release of Cuban fishing vessel seized by Mauritania. Vessel released 24 November.

MAURITIUS

1976

October 18	Cuban Government announces diplomatic relations will be established with Mauritius.

MEXICO

1975

January 3	Wife of Mexican President Echeverria heads culture delegation to Cuba. Greeted by Fidel Castro.
January 4	Fidel Castro meets with Mexican tourism Secretary Julio Hirschfeld in Havana.
January 13	Cuban Fishery Vice-Minister Lavastida heads delegation to Mexico to discuss exploitation of the sea.
January 15	Cuba and Mexico sign agreement of cooperation in technician exchanges, scholarships, and various types of training.
January 21	Mexican Secretary of National Properties, Francisco Javier Alejo, arrives in Havana.
February 19	PCC member Armando Hart receives Mexican education delegation.
February 26	Mexican commercial delegation arrives in Cuba to discuss formation of a multinational Caribbean shipping company.
March 1	Cuban Health Minister, Antonio Gutierrez Muniz, arrives in Mexico City for second Latin American meeting on population control.
	President Castro discusses trade relations with Mexican Foreign Relations Undersecretary Ruben Gonzales Sosa in Havana.
March 13	Mexicana de Aviacion resumes regular flights to Cuba.
March 22	Cuban Foreign Trade Minister and Mexican Industry and Commerce Minister meet in Havana. Opening of Mexican exposition in Havana.

March 26	US press carries story "Oil trading deal set by Cuba, Mexico, Soviet, and Venezuela."
April 5	Officials from Cuban Merchant Marine Ministry go to Mexico to attend discussions of proposed multinational shipping company for the Caribbean.
April 15-25	Cuban cultural delegation headed by Belarmino Castillia Mas arrives in Mexico.
April 26	Cuba and Mexico sign sugar production cooperation agreement.
April 28-May 5	Wives of Ambassadors in Mexico City and key Mexican women visit Cuba at invitation of Cuban Women's Federation.
June 11	Cuba and Mexico sign sugar industry cooperation agreement.
June 13	Cuba and Mexico announce signing of bilateral oil exchange agreement.
June 17	Vilma Espin, head of Cuba's Women's Federation, arrives in Mexico City heading delegation to UN Women's Conference.
July 2	Ten federal deputies from Mexico ar- in Cuba at invitation of Cuban Institute for Friendship with Peoples (ICAP).
July 4	At impromptu press conference Mexican President Luis Echeverria calls for "immediate lifting of economic sanctions against Cuba."
August 17-22	Mexican President Echeverria arrives for a six-day official visit. Joint communique issued 22 August.
September 10-12	Antonio Esquivel, Chemical Industry Minister, in Mexico City attending OLADE meeting.

September 14-18	Minister of the Revolutionary Armed Forces Raul Castro attends Mexican Independence celebrations in Mexico.
September 27	A Cuban tourism industry delegation arrives in Mexico for a two-week visit.
October 7	Cuban President Dorticos receives new Mexican Ambassador to Cuba, Celso Delgaro Ramirez.
November 28	A bomb destroys the car of the Cuban Ambassador to Mexico in Mexico City.

1976

February 3	Mexican President Echeverria describes Cuba-Mexico relations as "good and positive."
February 17	Cuba and Mexico begin economic cooperation talks.
March 18	Mexican Education Secretary Victor Bravo Ahuja arrives in Havana.
May 2	Rodolfo Echeverria, Brother of Mexican President, arrives in Cuba heading film industry delegation.
May 26	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Mexico to attend inauguration of Cuban cultural center.
August 26	Politburo member Blas Roca receives Mexican Communist Party Secretary General Arnoldo Martinez Verdugo.
August 31	Manuel Pineiro, Chief of the Party's America Department, meets with Arnoldo Martinez Verdugo, Secretary General of the Mexican Communist Party.
September 12	Brg. Cmdr. Francisco Cabrera Gonzalez, Deputy Armed Forces Minister heads Cuban Military delegation to Grito de Dolores celebrations in Mexico.

September 13	Cuban Foreign Minister Raul Roa attends opening ceremony of Third World Center of Economic and Social Studies in Mexico.

1977

January 5	Fidel Castro attends farewell reception for Mexican Ambassador Celso Delgado.
June 9	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Mexican Under Secretary Rodolfo Echeverria in Havana.
July 3	A delegation of UJC (Union of Young Communists) members arrives in Mexico at invitation of Mexican Socialist Party.
September 17	Fidel Castro attends Mexican Independence celebration at Mexican Embassy in Havana.
December 5-10	Mexican Foreign Minister Lic Santiago Roel visits Cuba. Meets with Fidel Castro 9 December.
December 10	Mexican and Cuban Foreign Ministries issue joint communique.

MONGOLIA

1975

February 11	Cuban-Mongolian trade agreement signed in Ulan Bator.
October 15	PCC delegation headed by Guillermo Garcia Frias arrives in Mongolia. Cooperation agreement is signed on 17 October.

1976

August 10-16	Ramon Castro and delegation arrive in Mongolia. Meets with Agriculture Minister.

MOROCCO

1975

May 13	Cuba and Morocco sign bilateral air agreement in Rabat.
May 30	Fidel Castro receives Ali Yata, Secretary General of Moroccan Liberation and Socialist Party.

1977

June 21	Pedro Miret, politbureau member, meets with Rashid Mus'tapha Tahir, member of executive committee of Polisario Front and delegation in Havana.
June 27	Fidel Castro meets with Polisario front delevation visiting Cuba.

MOZAMBIQUE

1975

June 25	Cuba and Mozambique establish diplomatic relations.
June 27	PCC Central Committee delegation received by Mozambique President Machel. Delegation attending Independence celebration in Maputo.
November 8	Cuban scientific-technical cooperation delegation arrives in Mozambique.

1976

March 6	Havana Domestic Radio carries commentary praising Mozambique's closing of the border and declaration of war on Rhodesia.
November 19-26	Raul Valdes Vivo, member of Central Committee, heads delegation to Mozambique. Communique issued 29 November.

1977

January 30	Jorge Risquet heads Cuban delegation to Third Congress of the Mozambique Liberation Front (FRELIMO) in Maputo.
February 10	Cuban delegation headed by Jorge Risquet meets with President Machel of Mozambique in Maputo.
March 21-23	Castro visits Mozambique. Meets with President Machel in Beira.
March 24	Cuba and Mozambique issue communique calling for closer cooperation between the Communist Party of Cuba and the Mozambique Liberation Front.
June 5	Mozambique and Cuba sign co-op agreement for Cuban technicians to work in Mozambique and Mozambicans to work in Cuba. Mozambique/Mozambicans Health, public works, transport, agriculture, fishing cooperation covered.
June 13	Day of Solidarity with peoples of Angola and Mozambique observed in Cuba.
June 16	Wife of President Machel of Mozambique arrives in Cuba with educational delegation.
June 17	Fidel Castro attends reception for Graca Machel, wife of Mozambican President, who is visiting Cuba. She is Mozambican Education Minister.
August 14	Havdomser reports the arrival of 19 Cuban physicians in Mozambique.
October 9-14	Mozambican President Samora Machel visits Cuba. Mutual assistance and cooperation agreements signed.

October 11	Cuba-Mozambique friendship rally held at Santiago de Cuba. Speech by Fidel Castro. Cuban technical assistance to Mozambique will increase from 300 to 400 soon.
October 12	Fidel Castro and President Machel address the 1,200 Mozambican students attending schools on the Isle of Pines.
October 30	Cuban delegation headed by Deputy Foreign Minister Jose Fernandez de Cossio arrives in Mozambique to discuss recently signed cooperation agreements.
December 6	Cuban Foreign Ministry issues declaration on attacks against Mozambique from Rhodesia.
December 8	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon urges immediate action by the international community in aiding Mozambique against Rhodesian aggression.

NEPAL

1975

March 25	Cuba and Nepal establish diplomatic relations.

NETHERLANDS

1975

February 10-14	Cuban delegation visits the Netherlands to work out Dutch-Cuba Economic agreement.
November 4	Dutch Development Minister J. Pronk arrives in Havana to discuss economic cooperation between Cuba and the Netherlands.

NICARAGUA

1976

January 16	Nicaraguan President Somoza condemns Cuban intervention in Angola.
February 3	Nicaraguan President Somoza criticizes Cuban intervention in Angola in a speech in Nicaragua.
March 2	Granma editorial criticizes Kissinger trip to Latin America and remarks of President Somoza and Foreign Minister Facio concerning Cuban aid to Angola.

1977

February 16-22	Week of Cuban Solidarity with Nicaragua.

NIGER

1976

April 26	Cuba and Niger establish diplomatic relations.

NIGERIA

1975

January 23	Alipio Zorrilla is designated Cuban Ambassador to Nigeria.

1976

February 17	Three-day mourning period declared to mark the death of Nigerian President General Mohammed.
May 27	Nigerian Foreign Minister Joseph Garba arrives in Cuba.

1977

January 10	Cuban poet Nicholas Guillen arrives in Lagos, Nigeria, to attend African culture festival.

June 5	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca arrives in Nigeria.
June 8	Nigerian-Cuban communique issued in Lagos following visit of Malmierca supports African peoples liberation struggles.

NORWAY

1975

June 2	Norwegian Minister of Commerce and Shipping Einar Magnussen arrives in Cuba for talks.

PANAMA

1975

January 4	Panamanian National Guard delegation arrives in Havana to participate in the celebration of Panama Solidarity Week (4-11 January).
January 31	Cuba and Panama sign civil aviation cooperation agreement.
March 29	A Panamanian delegation headed by the sister of Gen. Omar Torrijos arrives in Havana.
June 5	Panamanian Government delegation arrives in Cuba to give Castro a report on the negotiations for a new Panama Canal treaty.
June 15	Cuban Justice Minister Armando Torres Santrayal arrives in Panama heading delegation to conference on legal aspects of economic independence.
July 10	President of Cuban National Bank arrives in Panama City to hold a series of meetings with National and international banking authorities.

July 24	Cubana airlines inaugurates regular service to Panama City. Cuban delegation to SELA meeting on first flight.
July 31	SELA meeting begins in Panama City. Minister for Foreign Trade Marcelo Fernandez Font heads Cuban delegation.
October 8	Cuban labor delegation arrives in Panama to attend a workers congress.
October 14	Foreign Trade Minister Marcelo Fernandez Font arrives in Panama as head of the Cuban delegation to SELA meeting.
October 16	Panamanian National Guard delegation headed by Lt. Col. Armando Contreras arrives in Cuba.
November 7	Cuban Deputy Foreign Minister Pelegrin Torras arrives in Panama City.
November 27	Manuel Pineiro heads PCC delegation to Panama.

1976

January 10	General Omar Torrijos of Panama arrives in Cuba on official visit. Joint communique 16 January.
April 26	Panamanian corregimiento delegation arrives in Cuba.
August 18	Cubana airline office in Panama City bombed.
September 17	Havdomser carries Panamanian press report on student disturbances in Panama that claims they are the result of CIA activities.
November 27	Ceremony held in Havana marking the 155th anniversary of Panama's independence.

1977

April 15	A Cuban CDR delegation arrives in Panama.
June 14	Panamanian People's Party delegation arrives in Cuba.
August 5	La Republica carries announcement of appointment of Miguel Brugueras as Cuban Ambassador to Panama.
August 11	Havdomser reports agreement reached on new Panama Canal treaty by Panama and the US.
October 6	New Cuban Ambassador to Panama Miguel Brugueras del Valle presents his credentials to acting Panamanian Foreign Minister Osores.
October 25	Panamanian Labor Minister Adolfo Ahumada arrives in Havana and addresses American Jurists Conference.
November 11	Cuban National Bank President Raul Leon Torras arrives in Panama to open affiliation in Panama City.

PERU

1975

March 21-26	UNIDO meeting in Lima. Cuban delegation headed by Joel Domenech, head of Basic Industry Sector.
May 19	Delegation from Peruvian Agrarian University arrives in Cuba.
August 25-29	Raul Roa heads Cuban delegation to the nonaligned countries' Foreign Ministers meeting in Lima, Peru.
November 5	Peruvian military delegation headed by General Jose Villarreal arrives in Cuba for an exchange visit.

November 26	A large Peruvian military delegation arrives in Cuba to observe first congress military maneuvers.

1976

April 17	15th Anniversary of DAAFAR. Fidel Castro and Raul Castro preside over parade. Soviet military specialists attend. Also Chief of Peruvian Army.
May 14-18	Cuba-Peru mixed commission on scientific cooperation meets in Cuba.
May 19	Peruvian Education Minister arrives in Havana. Educational cooperation agreement signed 21 May.
June 12	Peruvian labor delegation arrives in Cuba.
July 29	Cuban Institute of Friendship with Peoples sponsors celebration in Havana of Peru's independence.

1977

June 2	Delegation from Peruvian Agrarian Federation arrives in Cuba for two-week visit at invitation of ANAP.
August 17	Havdomser reports explosion and sinking of Cuban fishing boat in El Callao, Peru. Investigation shows explosion caused by external factors.
August 19	Havdomser carries item on CORU's claim of responsibility for the sinking of a Cuban ship in Peru.
October 11	Explosion reported aboard the Cuban fishing vessel "Rio Damuji" docked in Port of El Callao, Peru.

PHILIPPINES

1975

August 25	Philippine First Lady Imelda Marcos arrives in Cuba on official visit. She says relations between the two countries will be resumed in a short time.
November 22	A delegation from the Philippines government arrives in Cuba.

POLAND

1975

January 10	Polish First Secretary Gierek arrives in Havana on official visit.
February 4	Isidoro Malmierca heads PCC group visiting Polish Party First Secretary Gierek in Warsaw.
March 10	Delegation of Polish Union of Socialist Youth arrives in Havana.
March 20	Polish Peace Committee arrives in Cuba.
May 5	Polish United Workers' Party delegation arrives in Havana at invitation of PCC.
June 12	Cuba and Poland sign technical cooperation agreement.
June 14-18	Cuban Minister of Health concludes cooperation protocol with Polish Health Ministry.

1976

April 1	Polish Planning Commission delegation arrives in Havana. Cuba-Poland trade protocol signed 2 April.

September 9-15	Vilma Espin, President of Cuban Womens Federation, heads delegation touring Poland.
September 13	Raul Castro observes military maneuvers in Poland as guest of Warsaw Pact.
September 21	Raul Castro begins official visit to Poland as head of Cuban military delegation.
October 13-20	Ramon Castro and agricultural delegation visit Poland.
October 26	Cuba and Poland begin cooperation talks in Warsaw. Agreement signed 30 October.

1977

January 23	Cuba and Poland sign trade protocol in Warsaw; pact for this year includes 33-percent increase.
June 20	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez departs Cuba for CEMA meeting in Warsaw, Poland.
October 30	Cuban and Polish Foreign Ministers sign cooperation agreements in Cuba.
	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets separately with Polish, Danish, Zambian Foreign Ministers who are visiting Cuba.

PORTUGAL

1975

February 11	Portuguese sports delegation arrives in Cuba.
February 18	Cuban trade delegation arrives in Portugal.
April 2	Fidel Castro sends solidarity message to Portugal's Goncalves with PCC member Jeses Montane Oropresa who is visiting Portugal.

April 21	Portuguese military delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 17	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Lisbon to meet with Prime Minister Goncalves and Communist Party officials. Delivers message from Fidel Castro.
July 1	A Cuban PCC delegation headed by Central Committee member Armando Acosta arrives in Lisbon.
July 21	Portuguese armed forces movement delegation headed by General Otelo de Carvalho arrives in Havana.
July 25-28	Cuban military delegation headed by Chief of General Staff and First Vice Minister of the Ministry of the Armed Forces Brg. Cmdr. Senen Casas Regueiro arrives in Lisbon.
July 26	Fidel Castro speaks on 22nd Anniversary of assault on Moncada Barracks. Portuguese delegation visiting.
August 18	Portuguese military delegation headed by Vice Admiral Rosa Coutinho arrives in Havana at the invitation of Raul Castro.
November 29	Portuguese military delegation arrives in Cuba to observe First Party Congress maneuvers.
<u>1976</u>	
April 22	Two Cubans are killed when bomb explodes in Cuban Embassy in Lisbon. Fidel Castro attends funeral in Havana on 26 April.
September 6	Delegation from Cuban Merchant Marine and Ports Ministry visits Portugal.
September 8	Cuban Vice Minister for Foreign Trade Ricardo Cabrizas arrives in Lisbon. Negotiates a five-year trade agreement.

November 11-14	Party Secretary member Antonio Perez Herrero heads PCC delegation to Portuguese Communist Party Congress in Lisbon.

1977

January 6	Maj. Victor Alves, member of Portugal's Council of the Revolution, heads delegation to Cuba.
January 8	Delegation headed by Major Victor Alves meets with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez.
January 15	Delegation headed by Major Victor Alves meets with Fidel Castro.

RHODESIA

1976

March 6	Havana Domestic Radio carries commentary praising Mozambique's closing of the border and declaration of war on Rhodesia.
May 23	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez interviewed in Japan. Says Cuba has no intention of sending troops to Rhodesia to assist nationalist guerrillas.
May 27	Trinidad paper quotes President Dorticos: "Cuba will not send troops to Namibia or Rhodesia."
June 10	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon in speech says, "Armed struggle is the only way in Rhodesia."

1977

January 22	Joseph Dube, of Zimbabwe Patriotic Front, arrives in Havana to open office of the African National Council (of Rhodesia).
August 1	Rhodesian leader Nkomo holds press conference in Havana. He says, "There are no Cuba internationalist fighters with the patriotic front forces."

	Fidel Castro attends reception in honor of Joshua Nkomo.
August 2	Black Rhodesian nationalist leader Joshua Nkomo ends his visit to Cuba. He is said to have gotten assurances of further Cuban aid.
	Fidel Castro attends departure ceremony for Joshua Nkomo.
December 6	Cuban Foreign Ministry issues declaration on attacks against Mozambique from Rhodesia.
December 8	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon urges immediate action by the international community in aiding Mozambique against Rhodesian aggression.
December 22	ZAPU President Joshua Nkomo arrives in Havana at invitation of PCC.
December 28	Fidel Castro meets with ZAPU leader Joshua Nkomo in Havana.

ROMANIA

1975

February 11	Cuban Foreign Trade Vice Minister Garcia Lazo arrives in Bucharest.
March 5	Cuba and Romania sign exchange and payments agreements for 1975.
June 25	Romanian Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba.

1976

April 14	Romanian Labor Minister Peter Lupu arrives in Cuba.

SAO TOME

1976

April 11	Diplomatic relations established with Sao Tome and Principe.

September 25	Prime Minister Miguel Trovoada of Sao Tome and Principe arrives in Cuba.
October 8	Cooperation agreement between Cuba and Sao Tome and Principe signed in Havana.
October 19	Wife of President of Sao Tome and Principe arrives in Cuba at invitation of Cuban Womens Federation.

1977

November 13	Havana International Service announces co-op pact signed with Sao Tome and Principe. Hector Rodriguez Llompart, PCC member, led Cuban delegation.
December 21	Ceremony held in port of Sao Tome marking donation of two fishing vessels from Cuba.

SENEGAL

1976

March 3	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with delegation of the African Party of Independence of Senegal.

SIERRA LEONE

1976

February 22	Cuba and Sierra Leone sign civil air agreement.

SOMALIA

1975

March 28	Luis Gonzalez Marturelos is named Ambassador to Somalia.

1976

February 28	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with Siad Barre, President of Somali Democratic Republic.

April 7	Delegation from Somalian National Political Office arrives in Cuba as guests of the CDR.
July 13	Cuba and Somalia sign scientific and technical cooperation agreement.
September 8	Delegation from Women's section of National Political Office of the Somali Democratic Republic arrives in Havana.
December 9	Fidel Castro receives Lt. Gen. Mohamed Ali Samantar, Somali Defense Minister. Cooperation agreement signed 11 December.

1977

March 12-14	Castro visits Somalia. Meets with President Siad in Mogadiscio.
March 16	Joint communique issued with Somalia. Reaffirms support for African liberation movements and hails Angolan victory.
November 13	Somalia breaks diplomatic relations with Cuba because of Cuban support for Ethiopia.

SOUTH AFRICA

1976

March 4	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with delegation from African National Council of Zimbabwe.
March 30	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon addresses Security Council. Condemns South African aggression in Angola.
April 5	Granma carries attack on Chinese support of South Africa.
October 1	SWAPO leader Sam Nujoma arrives in Cuba.

November 2	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon in speech to General Assembly says US is primarily responsible for the exploitation and repression of the South African people.

1977

March 18	Cuba marks International Day of Solidarity with Zimbabwe.
March 30	In Angola, Castro meets with Joseph Nkomo, Zimbabwe Patriotic Front.
	In Angola, Castro meets with Oliver Tambo, President of African National Congress of South Africa.
April 1	Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon demands sanctions against South Africa in the UN Security Council.
October 15	Oliver Tambo, Chairman of African National Congress (ANC) of South Africa visits Cuba. Meets with Raul Castro 15 October.
October 24	Fidel Castro meets with Oliver Tambo.
October 31	In Zambia, Cuban Vice Foreign Minister Jose Fernandez de Cossio states that Cuba will continue providing assistance to southern Africa liberation movements.

SOUTHWEST AFRICA

1976

March 5	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with Moses Garoet, Secretary of Southwest African People's Organization (SWAPO).
May 27	Trinidad paper quotes President Dorticos: "Cuba will not send troops to Namibia or Rhodesia."
August 27	Ceremony denoting 10th Anniversary of Namibian People's Struggle is held in Cuba.

1977

March 30	In Angola, Castro meets with Sam Nujoma, of Namibia's Southwest African People's Organization (SWAPO).
October 28	Sam Nujoma of SWAPO arrives in Cuba for official visit. Opens SWAPO office and meets with Fidel Castro on 29 October.

SOUTH YEMEN

1977

March 10-12	Fidel Castro visits South Yemen. Meets with Chairman of Presidential Council Saiim Rubay'i Ali.
March 18	Paris AFP from Dar Es Salaam says South Yemen is the missing link in Castro's itinerary. Castro dropped from public view 17 March.

SPAIN

1975

March 20	Spanish trade delegation arrives in Cuba.
April 11	Exchange of ambassadors with Spain is announced. Carlos E. Alfaras, Cuban Ambassador to Egypt will be sent to Spain.
April 17	National Bank of Cuba and the Bank of Spain sign $900 million general finance agreement.
June 3	Spanish Government delegation leaves Cuba after discussing indemnifcation for properties expropriated from Spanish citizens during early days of revolution.
July 1	Cuban Industrial Construction Minister Angel Gomez Trueba arrives in Madrid.

October 2	Cuban-Spanish Friendship Association in Havana releases statement of protest regarding the execution of five alleged terrorists in Spain.
1976	
June 9	Cuba and Spain open trade talks in Havana.
June 14	Cuba-Spain Mixed Commission talks end and trade agreement signed.
November 7	Cubana airlines office in Madrid is bombed.
1977	
September 6	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca arrives in Madrid for one-day visit.
December 14	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez received by Spanish Government leader Adolfo Suarez in Madrid.

SRI LANKA

1976	
August 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Sri Lanka for nonaligned summit meeting.
	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Pham Van Dong, Premier of Socialist Republic of Vietnam in Sri Lanka.
	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Algerian Revolutionary Council President Boumediene in Sri Lanka.
	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets Laotian President Prince Souphanouvong in Sri Lanka.
August 16-19	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez represents Cuba at meeting of nonaligned countries in Sri Lanka.

SWEDEN

1975

May 9	Cuba and Sweden sign radio and television exchange agreement.
June 28	Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme arrives in Cuba. First West European head of state ot visit the island since the Cuban revolution.

1976

February 17	Swedish Foreign Trade Minister Carl Lidbom heads trade delegation to Cuba.

SYRIA

1975

January 2	Brg. Cmdr. Senen Casas Regerio, First Deputy Minister of the Cuban Armed Forces and Chief of General Staff received by Syrian President Asad in Damascus.
February 3-10	Syrian military delegation arrives, headed by Div. Gen. Ali Aslan, Chief of Operations of Armed Forces General Staff.

1976

November 19	PLO head Yasir Arafat meets with Cuban Ambassador Arturo Barber Orozco in Syria.

TANZANIA

1977

January 7-11	Tanzanian Education and Health Ministers in Cuba.
March 18-21	Castro visits Tanzania. Confers with President Nyerere.

August 13	Havdomser carries report of arrival of 21 Cuban physicians in Tanzania.
November 22	Raul Valdes Vivo meets with President Nyerere of Tanzania to discuss situation in southern Africa.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

1975

May 7	Cuban delegation headed by Hector Rodriguez Llompart attends ECLA conference in Port-of-Spain.
June 18	Eric Williams, Prime Minister of Trinidad-Tobago, arrives in Havana for five-day official visit. Joint communique issued 24 June.
August 8	Trinidadian economic-scientific delegation arrives in Havana.
December 19	Trinidadian Prime Minister Eric Williams denies Cuba permission to use Piarco Airport for the Cuban airlift to Angola.

1977

August 3	Trinidad and Tobago opposition leader, Dr. James Miller, holds press conference in Havana.

UGANDA

1976

July 15	Havana Domestic Service carries commentary critical of Israeli raid into Uganda.

1977

February 3	Cuban delegation headed by Francisco Cabrera attends Ugandan anniversary celebration. Idi Amin says Cuban-Ugandan relations will be strengthened.

February 25	Paris AFP carries report from Nairobi stating that Cuba and Uganda reportedly discussed a military cooperation agreement.
February 28	Swiss honorary counsul in Kampala, Uganda, says that "Kampala is swarming with Cubans."

UNITED KINGDOM

1975

April 23	British Communist Party delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 6	British trade union delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 18	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in London at head of Cuban economic delegation. Meets with Prime Minister Wilson.
May 19	Cuba and the UK sign industrial cooperation agreement in London.
November 14	Peter Shore, British trade secretary, arrives in Havana to attend meetings of the Cuba-British mixed commission.

UPPER VOLTA

1976

January 3	Relations reestablished between Cuba and Republic of Upper Volta.

URUGUAY

1975

March 5	Uruguayan Communist Party leader Rodney Arismendi arrives in Cuba at invitation of PCC.

1976

August 5	Uruguayan Communist Party leader Rodney Arismendi departs Cuba after visit at invitation of PCC.

USSR

1975

January 17	Delegation headed by Vice Prime Minister Belarmino Castilla Mas arrives in Moscow.
January 21	Vice Prime Minister Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow for CEMA Executive Committee meeting.
January 28	Granma declares Brezhnev's visit to Cuba "outstanding event in our country in 1974."
February 2	Delegation from USSR Ministry of Food Industry arrives in Cuba.
February 4-11	Soviet Fishing Minister Aleksandr Ishkov arrives in Cuba.
February 8	Delegation from the USSR Marxist-Leninist Institute arrives in Havana.
February 13	Aleksey Kosygin receives Cuba Ambassador Aguirre for "cordial and comradely conversation" in Moscow.
March 1	Soviet naval visit announced. (Characterized in Cuban press as "unofficial.")
March 10	Deputy Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers V. N. Novikov meets with Cuban Ambassador to USSR Severo Aguirre del Cristo in the Kremlin.
March 14	Cuba and USSR sign construction cooperation agreement.
March 15	Cuba and USSR sign scientific-technical cooperation agreement.
March 26	US press carries story "Oil Trading Deal Set by Cuba, Mexico, Soviet, and Venezuela."
March 30	Cuban-Soviet 1975 trade agreement is signed in Moscow.

April 17	Cuba and USSR sign annual shipping protocol.
April 21	PCC delegation headed by Juan Marinello arrives in Moscow to participate on selection committee for Lenin Peace Prizes.
April 29	Cuban and Soviet Academies of Science sign cooperation agreement.
May 2-9	Cuban-Soviet friendship week observed in Cuba.
May 5	Cuban military delegation arrives in Moscow to celebrate 30th Anniversary of end of World War II.
May 7	Soviet military delegation arrives in Cuba.
May 8	15th Anniversary of resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and USSR.
May 9	A military parade in Havana marks 30th Anniversary of Soviet victory over fascism.
May 22	Two Soviet guided missile destroyers arrive in Havana harbor. Second Soviet naval visit to Cuba this year.
June 13	Cuba and USSR sign protocol on development of electrical energy in Cuba, in preparation for the construction of nuclear power plant in Cuba.
June 18-22	Cuban PCC delegation in Moscow to study the CPSU's experience in organizing party work.
June 27	Cuba and USSR sign communications accord.
July 9	Soviet and Cuban cooperation subcommission meets in Moscow.

July 22	Cuban Mines and Geology Minister Manuel Cespedes Fernandez arrives in Moscow.
July 25	Cuba and Soviet Union sign agreement on construction of a nuclear power plant in Cuba.
August 5	Fidel Castro interviewed by Pravda on Communists, future in Latin America. Pays tribute to Soviet detente policy and discusses Latin American - Caribbean Communist Parties, meeting held in June.
September 2-16	Cuban INRA (National Institute for Agrarian Reform) delegation visits the Soviet Union at invitation of Soviet Agriculture Ministry.
September 13	Deputy Prime Minister Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow for economic consultations.
September 17	Soviet-Cuban trade protocol covering 1976 through 1980 signed in Moscow. Total bilateral trade is expected to double in this period.
October 9	CEMA party secretaries and deputy premiers meet in Moscow. Antonio Perez Hererro and Belarmino Castilla Mas attend for Cuba.
October 11	Cuba and USSR sign sugar industry cooperation agreement.
November 6	Soviet Agriculture Minister Boris Runov arrives in Cuba.
November 7	Fidel and Raul Castro and other high ranking Cuban Government officials attend celebration of 58th anniversary of Soviet Revolution at Soviet Embassy.
November 15	A Soviet military delegation from the political directorate of the armed forces arrives in Cuba.

November 18	Agricultural cooperation between Cuba and the Soviet Union is signed.
November 22	Cuba and the Soviet Union sign agreement on peaceful uses of nuclear energy in Moscow.
December 17	Raul Castro opens Cuba's First Communist Party Congress. Suslov, from Soviet Union, attends.

1976

January 13	Cuban petroleum institute announces Soviet aid project that will involve construction of a supertanker port.
February 6	Cuban-Soviet trade agreement signed in Moscow.
February 23-March 16	Fidel Castro, Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, Osmani Cienfuegos head Cuban delegation to 25th CPSU Congress in Moscow.
February 25	Fidel Castro addresses CPSU Congress in Moscow.
March 1	Fidel Castro hosts reception at Cuban Embassy in Moscow for Latin American and Caribbean delegates to the 25th CPSU Congress.
March 4	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Soviet Foreign Affairs Minister Andrey Gromyko in Moscow.
April 14	Division General Senen Casas Reguiero presents 20th Anniversary medals to group of Soviet generals and officers in Moscow.
	Soviet-Cuban economic agreement signed in Moscow. Carlos Rafael Rodriguez for Cuba, Ivan Arkhipov for USSR.
April 26	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow for CEMA meeting.

April 29	Raul Castro in Moscow for Grechko funeral.
May 4	Raul Castro meets with Suslov in Moscow.
May 5	Raul Castro meets with General Secretary Brezhnev in Moscow.
May 12	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow for meeting of CEMA executive committee.
May 13	Pravda article condemns "unbridled anti-Cuban campaign by certain US officials and reactionary elements of news media."
May 27	Tass commentary defends Cuba's "noble action" in Angola.
June 9	Cuba joins Soviet Nuclear Research Institute.
July 1-9	PCC Secretariat member Isidoro Malmeirca heads party delegation to USSR for a working visit.
July 5	Vladimir Kirillin, Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers Committee for Science and Technology, opens Soviet exhibition in Cuba. Fidel Castro attends.
July 19	Deputy Prime Minister Joel Domenech is received in Kremlin by Ivan Arkhipov, Chairman of the USSR Council of Ministers.
August 14	Supreme Soviet Presidium awards Fidel Castro order of October Revolution at ceremony at Soviet Embassy in Havana. Brezhnev sends message.
August 16	Raul Valdes Vivo, Chief of Party General Foreign Relations Department reportedly vacationing in Soviet Union.

August 22-27	Two Soviet destroyers and a tanker visit Cuba.
August 27	Ramon Castro meets with Mikhail Suslov and Konstantin Katushev in Moscow.
August 30	Ramon Castro and Cuba delegation from agriculture sector visit Leningrad.
September 8	Raul Castro leaves Moscow for Poland (arrival in Moscow from Havana unannounced).
September 11-12	Soviet military delegation headed by Marshal of Aviation Aleksandr Yefimov visits Cuba.
September 17-27	Cuban Communist Party delegation headed by R. Lopez visits the Soviet Union.
September 21	Revolutionary Armed Forces Ministry announces that joint Soviet-Cuban naval and air exercises are under way.
September 27	Cuban Defense Minister Raul Castro meets with Marshal Dimitriy Ustinov, USSR Minister of Defense in Moscow.
October 1	Raul Castro meets with General Secretary Brezhnev in Moscow.
October 6	Chief of Soviet military specialists working in Cuba, Lt. General Ivan Verbitskiy, ends his tour.
October 12	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow for CEMA meeting.
November 6	Cuba marks 59th Anniversary of Great October Revolution. Soviet Ambassador speaks at CTC headquarters in Havana.
November 12	Cuba and USSR sign fishing cooperation agreement for 1977.

November 19	Cuban Ambassador to USSR Severo Aguirre Cristo presents General Secretary Brezhnev with "20th Anniversary" medal marking the beginning of the Cuban Revolution.
November 24	Cuban Higher Education Minister Fernando Vecin Alegret heads delegation to the Soviet Union.
November 29	Cuban military delegation headed by Div. Comdr. Julio Casas Regueiro arrives in Moscow to participate in activities for 20th Anniversary of Granma landing.
December 15	Raul Castro and Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrive Moscow. Both meet with General Secretary Brezhnev.
December 19	Juventud Rebelde carries Tass report on the release of Luis Corvalan. No mention made of simultaneous release of Soviet dissident.

1977

March 17	Cuba and USSR sign agreements on energy development.
March 23	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with General Secretary Brezhnev in Moscow.
April 1	Cuba and USSR sign 1977 trade protocol in Moscow.
April 4-8	Fidel Castro visits USSR. Visit termed "unofficial, friendly."
April 6	Fidel Castro meets with General Secretary Brezhnev in Moscow.
April 7	Fidel Castro meets with Yasir Arafat in Moscow.
April 8	Tass carries announcement that Soviet construction of the first atomic power plant in Cuba will begin this year.

April 16	Deputy Chairman Arkhipov arrives in Cuba for economic talk.
April 20	Deputy Chairman Arkhipov meets with Fidel Castro.
May 19	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets with Chairman Kosygin in the Kremlin. In Moscow for 81st meeting of CEMA Executive Committee.
May 20	Education Ministry inaugurates Cuban branch of the Russian Language Institute.
June 1	Cuban Communist Party workers from Santiago de Cuba visit Leningrad. Meet with G. V. Romanov.
August 9	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow from East Berlin.
August 18	Ceremony is held at Jose Marti Airport in honor of first flight of IL-62 aircraft acquired by Cubana airlines from the Soviet Union.
September 30	Humberto Perez, Gonzalez, President of the Cuban Planning Board, meets with Ivan Arkhipov in Moscow to begin trade talks.
October 2-5	Cuba economic delegation headed by Belarmino Castilla Mas visits Kiev.
October 8	EFE carries report of Soviet transatlantic liner Rossiya departing Havana for Angola with an estimated 1,000 Cuban technicians aboard.
October 31-November 10	Raul Castro visits Moscow heading Cuban delegation to 60th Anniversary celebration of The Great October Revolution.
November 5	Raul Castro meets with USSR Minister of Defense Ustinov in Moscow.

November 7	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Moscow and meets with J. V. Arkhipov.
November 11	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Moscow, addresses scientific conference.
November 23-25	Cuba sponsors seminar on Soviet October Revolution's impact on national liberation struggles. Delegations from 47 Communist and leftist parties attending.
November 26	Fidel Castro and Raul Castro meet with Soviet Aviation Marshal Aleksandr Pokryshkin, who is visiting Cuba at head of military delegation.
November 27	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez welcomes Ivan Arkhipov, USSR Council of Ministers Deputy Chairman, arriving in Cuba for meeting of Cuban-Soviet intergovernmental commission.
November 29	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez and Ivan Arkhipov, Deputy Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers open Cuba-USSR Mixed Commission meeting in Havana.
December 16	Adm. Gorshkov, Chief of Soviet Navy, arrives in Cuba at invitation of Raul Castro.
	Commander of Soviet Navy Adm. Gorshkov arrives in Cuba heading high-level military delegation.
December 17	Fidel Castro meets with Soviet Fleet Admiral Gorshkov and his delegation.
December 21	Fidel Castro pays visit to Soviet naval detachment and Admiral Gorshkov aboard flagship.

VENEZUELA

1975

January 2	Delegation from Democratic Action Party of Venezuela arrives in Havana. (First officially sanctioned Ad visit to island since relations broken in 1961.)
January 17	Venezuelan labor delegation arrives in Cuba.
February 4	Cuban National Bank vice president meets with Venezuelan Minister for International Economic Affairs and Venezuelan Central Bank president in Caracas.
April 3	Cuba's national poet Nicolas Guillen arrives in Caracas at invitation of association of Venezuelan writers and artists.
April 18	Venezuelan Community Action Foundation delegation arrives in Havana.
April 23	Cuban National Ballet arrives in Caracas.
April 25	Cuba CTC delegation arrives in Caracas to attend Seventh Congress of Confederation of Venezuelan Workers as guests.
June 28	Minister-President of National Bank of Cuba Raul Leon Torras arrives in Caracas to talk with Venezuelan banking authorities.
September 18	Two Cuban citizens seek exile in Venezuelan Embassy. Cuban authorities forcibly remove them. Venezuela protests. Asylees say later they left voluntarily.

1976

April 15	Delegation from Venezuela's People's Electoral Movement arrives in Cuba.

July 17	Direct charter flights between Cuba and Venezuela are resumed for Venezuelan tourists.
August 20	Delegation from Venezuelan Central Bank arrives in Cuba.
September 8	High-level Venezuelan trade delegation arrives in Havana for four-day visit.
October 8	Exterior of Cuban Embassy in Caracas is sprayed with gunfire. No injuries.
October 12	Venezuelan Government announces several Cuban exiles have been placed in custody following bombing of Cubana airliner off Barbados.

1977

January 28	Cooperation accord signed between Cuban and Venezuelan journalists.
May 11	Delegation from Venezuelan Communist Party meets with PCC group headed by Carlos Rafael Rodriguez to discuss the international situation.
July 2	Venezuelan Ambassador to Cuba Adolfo Raul Taylhardat arrives to assume his post.
August 26	Havdomser reports proceedings against Orlando Bosch in Venezuela have been turned over to the military courts.

VIETNAM, NORTH

1975

September 11	Cuban PCC delegation leaves North Vietnam after attending 30th National Day celebration. Raul Garcia Pelaez, member of Party Secretariat, heads delegation.

1976

July 4	Cuba and North Vietnam sign five-year economic agreement.
August 16	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Sri Lanka for nonaligned meeting meets with Pham Van Dong, Premier of Socialist Republic of Vietnam.
September 2-4	Ramon Castro and Cuban agricultural delegation visit Hanoi to attend celebration of Vietnamese Independence Day.
September 9	Vietnamese Workers Party delegation arrives in Cuba.
September 21	Vietnamese Prime Minister Pham Van Dong receives Ramon Castro and Cuban agricultural delegation.
December 13	Politburo member Sergio del Valle heads Cuban party delegation to Hanoi for Vietnam Workers Party Congress.

1977

September 6-16	Cuban Vice Foreign Minister Pelegrin Torras and delegation arrive in Hanoi. Meets with Vietnamese Foreign Minister on 7 September.

VIETNAM, SOUTH

1975

May 20	Delegation of Cuban journalists received by Nguyen Huu Tho, Chairman of NFLSV in Ho Chi Minh City.
August 1	PCC Secretariat member Antonio Perez Herrero meets with Yemeni and South Vietnamese Communist Party officials in Havana.

August 15	Foreign Minister of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam, Nguyen Thi Binh, arrives in Cuba.
1977	
April 28	Cuba and Vietnam sign 1977 trade protocol in Havana.

YEMAN ARAB REPUBLIC

1975	
April 17	Yemeni Public Works Minister heads delegation arriving in Havana.
July 27	Delegation from National Front of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen (PDRY) arrives in Cuba.
August 1	PCC Secretariat member Antonio Perez Herrero meets with Yemeni and South Vietnamese Communist Party officials in Havana.
1976	
March 3	In Moscow Fidel Castro meets with Abd al-Fattah Isma'il, First Secretary of National Front of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.
1977	
September 30	Joint communique issued following visit of Chairman Rubay'i 'Ali. It stresses solidarity with independence movements in southern Africa and nonaligned movements goals.
December 20	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez arrives in Aden, South Yemen. Has message from Fidel Castro.

YUGOSLAVIA

1975

February 10	Yugoslav Communist League delegation arrives in Cuba at invitation of PCC.
September 8	Cuban Communist Party delegation arrives in Belgrade for an eight-day stay.

1976

March 6-8	Fidel Castro in Yugoslavia. Official working visit at invitation of President Tito.
September 9-13	Yugoslav Defense Minister Army General Nikola Ljubicic and delegation visit Cuba.
September 27	Cuban military delegation headed by Brg. Cmdr. Julio Casas Regueiro arrives in Belgrade. Participated in Golfa 76 maneuvers.
October 11	Ramon Castro and delegation in Belgrade.

1977

May 20	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Belgrade en route to Libya. Meets with Yugoslav Communist Party leaders at airport.
June 5	Delegation of League of Communists of Yugoslavia arrives in Havana.
September 1	Yugoslav party leader Jure Biloc meets with Carlos Rafael Rodriguez in Havana.
October 15	Miljan Komatina, Yugoslav Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs arrives in Cuba.

ZAIRE

1976

January 26	In response to complaint by Zaire, Cuban UN Ambassador Alarcon presents letter to General Assembly Secretary General justifying Cuban aid to Angola.

1977

March 18-21	Castro visits Tanzania. Confers with President Nyerere. At press conference Castro says, "Cuba not involved in present rebellion in Zaire."
April 5	Cuban Foreign Ministry issues statement refuting Zaire's charges of Cuban interference in Shaba.
April 15	Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmierca denies Cuban participation in the invasion of Shaba, "nor are the Cubans supporting or training any army."

ZAMBIA

1975

April 21	Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda pays official visit to Cuba.
April 26	Cuban-Zambian joint Communique released in Havana following President Kaunda's visit.
April 28	Zambia Daily Mail reports from Havana that Foreign Minister Mwaanga delivered special message to Fidel Castro from US Secretary of State Kissinger.

1977

June 22-23	Foreign Minister Malmierca in Zambia. Delivers personal message from Castro to President Kaunda. Reaffirms Cuban support for front line states and liberation for South Africa.
June 24	Cuba and Zambia sign communique on Malmierca's visit.
October 28-29	Zambian Foreign Minister Siteke Muale in Cuba for official visit.
October 30	Carlos Rafael Rodriguez meets separately with Polish, Danish, Zambian Foreign Ministers who are visiting Cuba.
October 31	In Zambia, Cuban Vice Foreign Minister Jose Fernandez de Cossio states that Cuba will continue providing assistance to South African liberation movements.
	Fidel Castro meets with Zambian Foreign Affairs Commissioner Siteke Muale in Havana.
	Cuba and Zambia sign communique in Havana following visit by Foreign Minister Muale.
November 13	Raul Valdes Vivo, Chief of PCC Foreign Relations Department delivers special message from Fidel Castro to President Kaunda of Zambia in Lusaka.
December 21	UJC delegation arrives in Lusaka, Zambia, promoting World Youth Festival to be held in Cuba in 1978.

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